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The undersigned respectfully petitions for an extension of the term of one month expiring on November 20, 2000. Please charge deposit account no. 14-1263 in the amount of \$55.00, applicant being entitled to small entity status.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account no. 14-1263, to make this response time.

A response to the official action of July 20, 2000 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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